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Applicant(s) : Helmut Lucke et al.  
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 For : SPEECH RECOGNITION APPARATUS, SPEECH  
 RECOGNITION METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM  
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Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	11	Minus	20	x	\$50 (25)	= \$0.00
Independent claims	3	Minus	3	x	\$200 (100)	= \$0.00
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0.00

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- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims \_\_\_\_\_ petition for extension of time.
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 6, 2005 having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on March 6, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**An Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 13 of this paper.